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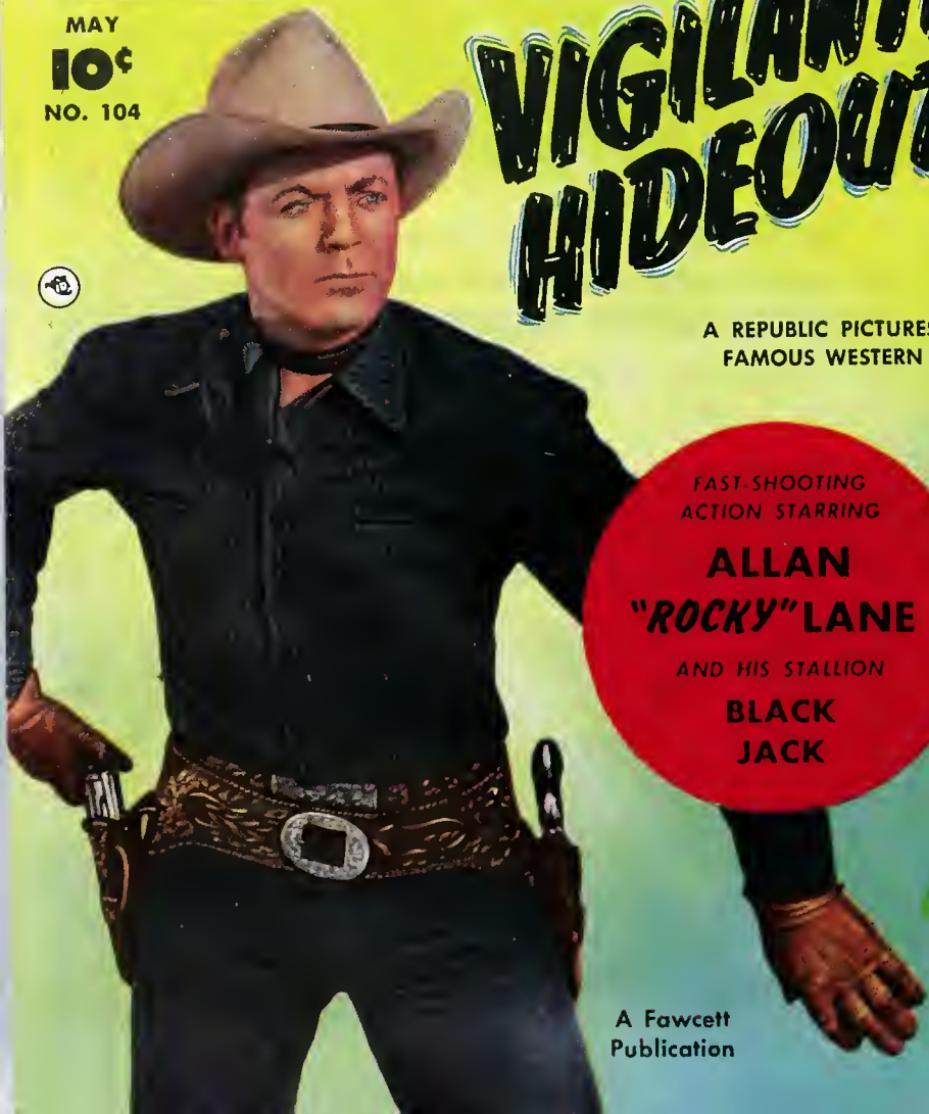


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VIGILANTE HIDEOUT

A REPUBLIC PICTURES'
FAMOUS WESTERN



FAST-SHOOTING
ACTION STARRING

**ALLAN
"ROCKY" LANE**

AND HIS STALLION

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SUSPENSE! ACTION! INTRIGUE!

YOU'LL WANT TO SEE REPUBLIC PICTURES' NEW WESTERN DRAMA

"VIGILANTE HIDEOUT"

STARRING "**ROCKY**" LANE





VIGILANTE HIDEOUT

starring

ALLAN "ROCKY" LANE

And His Stallion
BLACK JACK

with

EDDY WALLER

ROY BARCROFT VIRGINIA HERRICK

Directed by FRED C. BRANNON · Associate Producer GORDON KAY

Written by RICHARD WORMSER



An Adaptation of A REPUBLIC PICTURE

VIGILANTE HIDEOUT



The Vigilantes did splendid work in the old days, keeping the peace until the Law came West. But Cottonwood Spring found out that when men take the Law into their own hands, they don't always use it wisely.

Death haunted the town and terror lurked around every corner until Rocky Lane, the daring range detective, galloped up to match wits, courage and six-guns with the mysterious owlhoots who guarded the secret of the **VIGILANTE HIDE OUT!**

ACROSS THE PARCHED DRY HILLS NEAR COTTONWOOD SPRING,
A LONE RIDER MAKES HIS WAY! IT'S ROCKY LANE!

MIGHTY DRY COUNTRY HERE-
ABOUTS. KEEP MOVING, BLACK
JACK. WE SHOULD BE HITTING
COTTONWOOD SPRING
SOON.



SUDDENLY...

AN EXPLOSION!
COME ON, PARD!
LET'S HEAD FOR
THAT BLUFF.



THERE'S SOMEBODY UNDER ALL
THOSE ROCKS AND HE NEEDS
HELP!



ROCKY FREES THE MAN FROM THE ROCKSLIDE,
BUT HIS EFFORTS TO REVIVE HIM FAIL!



NO BONES BROKEN, BUT HE WON'T
COME AROUND! GUESS I'D BETTER
LOAD HIM ON HIS
HORSE AND GET
HIM TO
COTTONWOOD
SPRING.



SOON...

SOME COLD WATER
SHOULD BE A GOOD
EMERGENCY TREATMENT
FOR THIS HOMBRE! I'LL
TRY THAT HORSE
TRough THERE!



TAKE IT EASY, IT'S JIM BENSON!
FELLOW! HERE, LET ME
HELP!

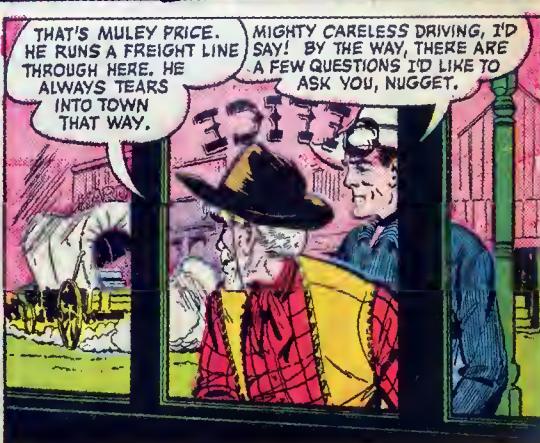
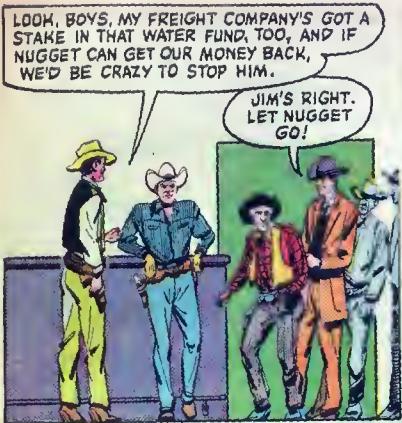


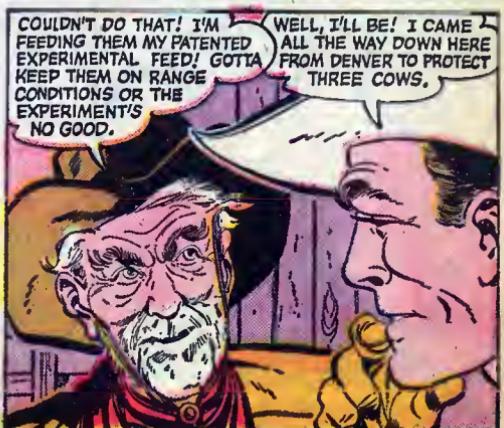
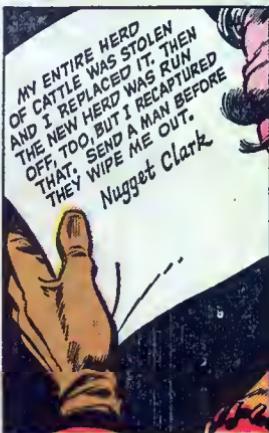
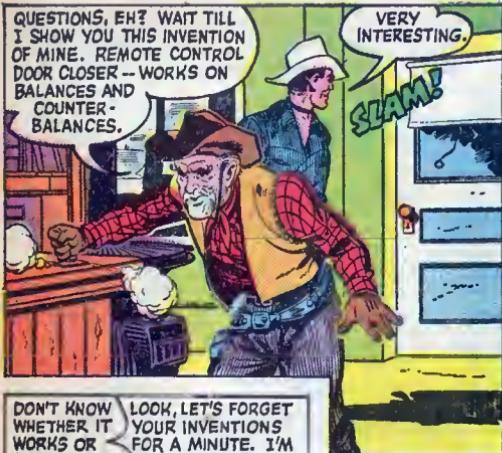
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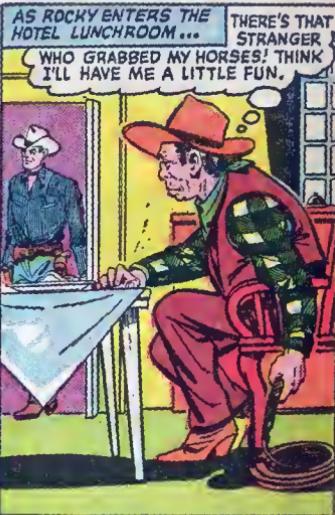












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BUT, IN THE NEXT FEW MINUTES, MULEY FINDS THAT TANGLING WITH ROCKY LANE WAS A BAD MISTAKE!



THAT NIGHT, IN THE EXPRESS OFFICE...

THIS IS THE TIME THEY
USUALLY GO AFTER MY
COWS! LIKE AS NOT,
THEY'LL COME AGAIN
TONIGHT.

THEN LOCK UP THE OFFICE
AND LET'S GO. NOTHING'LL
HAPPEN IF THEY KNOW WE'RE
HERE, SO WE'LL WATCH FROM
THE HOTEL ACROSS THE
STREET.

THERE'S NO NEED TO
WATCH. IF ANYONE
GOES AFTER THEM
COWS, MY NEW
INVENTION'LL GIVE
THE ALARM!

ALL RIGHT!
BUT LET'S
GET OUT
OF HERE!



MEANWHILE, IN THE TOWN WAGON YARD, WHERE MULEY IS BREAKING IN A NEW WHIP...

HOLD IT, MULEY! YOU'RE COVERED, SO DON'T TURN AROUND!

WHAT?



AND DON'T TRY TO USE THAT WHIP, UNLESS YOU WANT IT SHOT OUT OF YOUR HAND!

IT'S ROCKY LANE!



YOU'RE WRONG, FRIEND. I'M ON YOUR SIDE... THAT IS, IF YOU'RE PLANNING TO DO ANYTHING ABOUT LANE.

I'D DO PLENTY IF I COULD GET HIM ALONE!



I THINK I KNOW HOW YOU COULD ARRANGE THAT. LEAD HIM OUT BY RUNNING OFF NUGGET'S COWS! SAY LANE WAS WORKING PAID TO CHASE THEM!

SAY, I DID HEAR NUGGET WAS WORKING FOR HIM!



I GET IT.

REVENGE IS A NICE THING, BUT REVENGE FOR MONEY'S NICER. STAND THERE A MINUTE, THEN TURN AROUND AND PICK SOMETHING UP.



AND REMEMBER! RUN THOSE COWS FAR ENOUGH OUT OF TOWN SO THAT NO ONE WILL HEAR WHEN YOU SHOOT ROCKY!

YEH, SURE! AND THANKS, PARDNER.



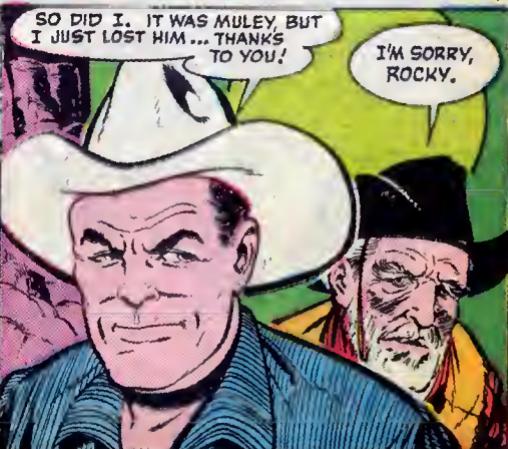
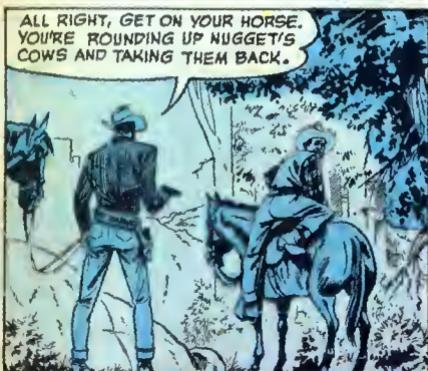
A SHORT TIME LATER, AT THE HOTEL...

I STILL THINK THAT HORSELESS CARRIAGE IDEA OF YOURS WAS A GOOD ONE, NUGGET!

YEAH, BUT WHO'D WANT A HORSELESS CARRIAGE? PEOPLE WOULDN'T BUY COAL OIL TO TRAVEL AROUND ON WHEN GRASS IS FREE.

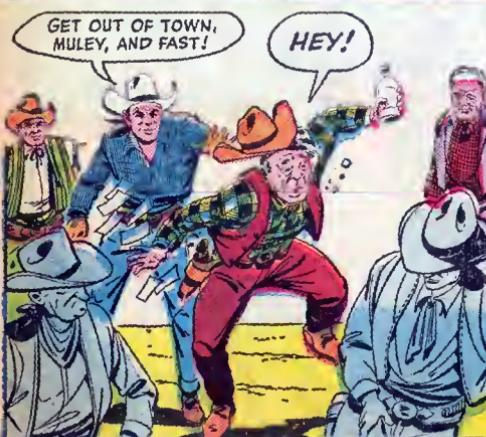


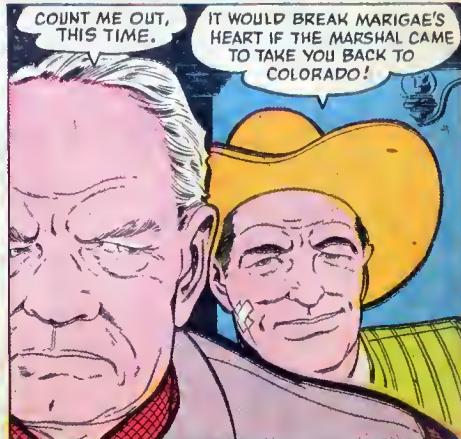
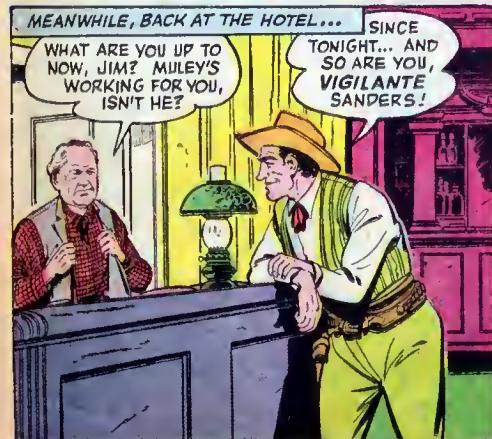


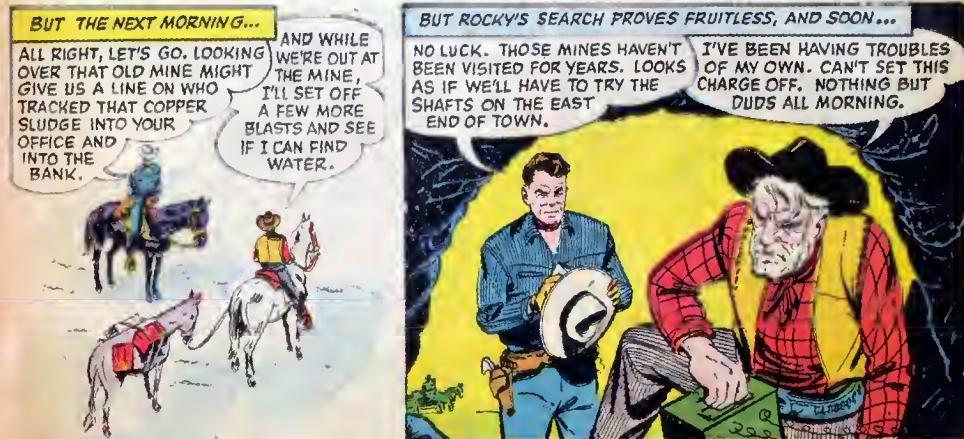


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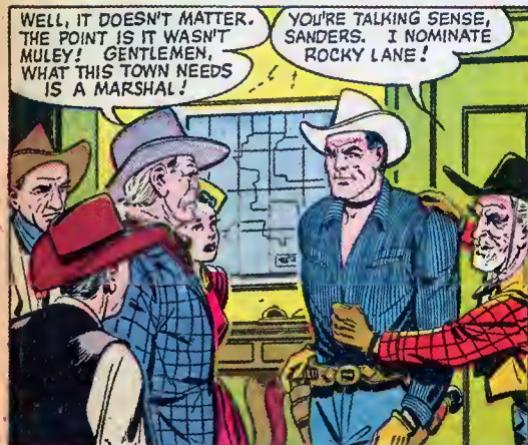
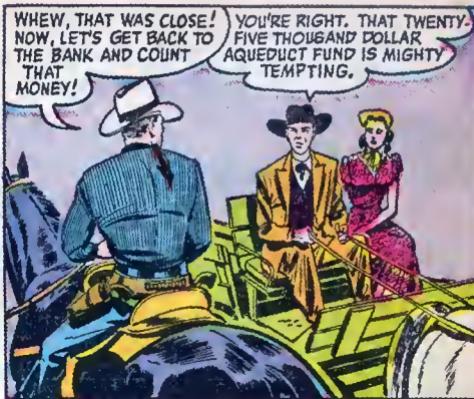






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I AINT TURNING THEM OVER! I DON'T TRUST YOU, BARROWS! IF I DON'T HIT WATER, THE PEOPLE AROUND HERE WON'T BE ABLE TO PAY OFF THEIR MORTGAGES! YOU'LL TAKE THEM OVER LOCK, STOCK AND BARREL.

LOOK, NUGGET, SEEMS TO ME WE'D ALL BE SAFER IF YOU'D TURN YOUR POWDER IN.

YOU'RE THE CAUSE OF MOST OF THE TROUBLE AROUND HERE. WE'RE PLACING YOU UNDER ARREST, NUGGET.

NO, YUH AIN'T! I'M GETTING OUT OF HERE... MY BET IS THAT THE MAN YOU'RE LOOKING FOR IS IN THIS ROOM RIGHT NOW, AND HE'LL STILL BE HERE WHEN I'M GONE.



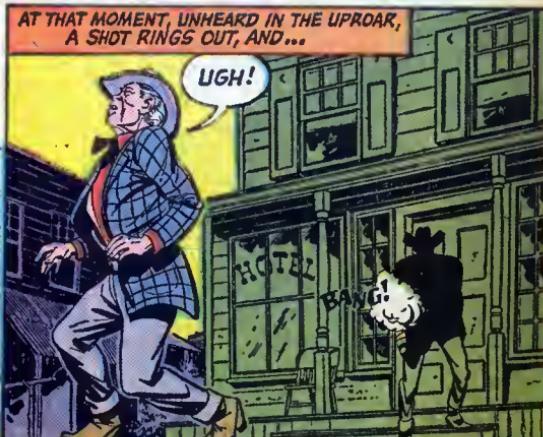
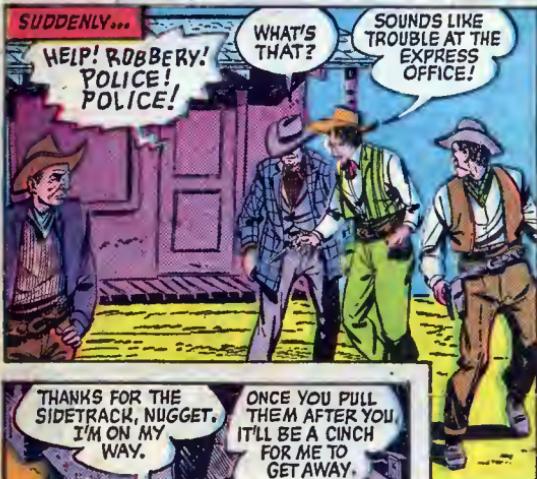
BUT AS NUGGET HEADS OUT OF THE DOOR...



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BUT NUGGET'S ALERT EYES SEE SANDERS FALL, AND...

HEY! SANDERS HAS BEEN SHOT! LAY OFF THAT DOOR! THAT WAS JUST MY TALKING MACHINE.



SO YOU STARTED THAT RACKET TO COVER LANE'S GETAWAY. HANG ON TO HIM, MEN...

B-BUT ROCHEY DIDN'T SHOOT SANDERS.



JIM... WHY
DID YOU...

YOU'LL BE ALL RIGHT, SANDERS.
YOU'RE ONLY WINGERED. AND DON'T
WORRY. WE'LL GET LANE FOR
THIS.



DAWN FINDS NUGGET A PRISONER AT THE HOTEL!

HELLO, SANDERS. GLAD
THAT KILLER
ONLY KNICKED
YOU!

THANKS. YOU MEN GET
SOME BREAKFAST.
I'LL WATCH NUGGET
FOR A WHILE.



LOOK, SANDERS,
ANY CHANCE OF
MOVING ME TO
MY PLACE?
I'VE GOT A LOT
OF WORK TO
DO ON MY
INVENTION.

ALL RIGHT.
I DON'T SEE
WHY NOT.
COME ON.



JUST A MINUTE, SANDERS.
I WANT TO TALK TO YOU.
BUCK, HERE, WILL KEEP
AN EYE ON
NUGGET.

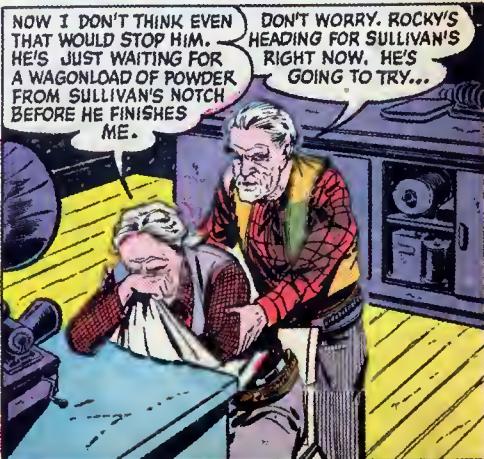


I HOPE YOU'VE LEARNED
YOUR LESSON,
SANDERS.

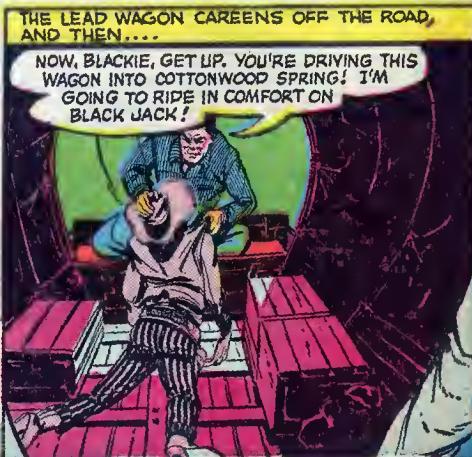
YES,
JIM, I'VE
LEARNED
A LOT.











LATE THAT AFTERNOON, NUGGET CLARK SECRETLY WATCHES AS A LONE WAGON PULLS UP ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF TOWN!

HELLO, BLACKIE! I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR YOU! PULL UP RIGHT OVER HERE!

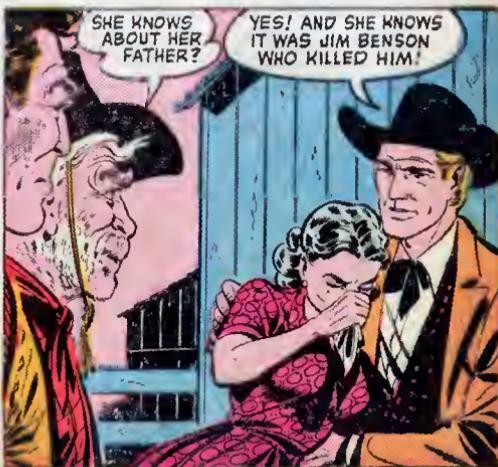
IT'S MY BLASTING POWDER! ROCKY MUST HAVE SLIPPED UP!

HI,
BENSON!

BUT AS BENSON BEGINS TO UNLOAD...

ALL RIGHT, BENSON! DROP IT AND REACH!





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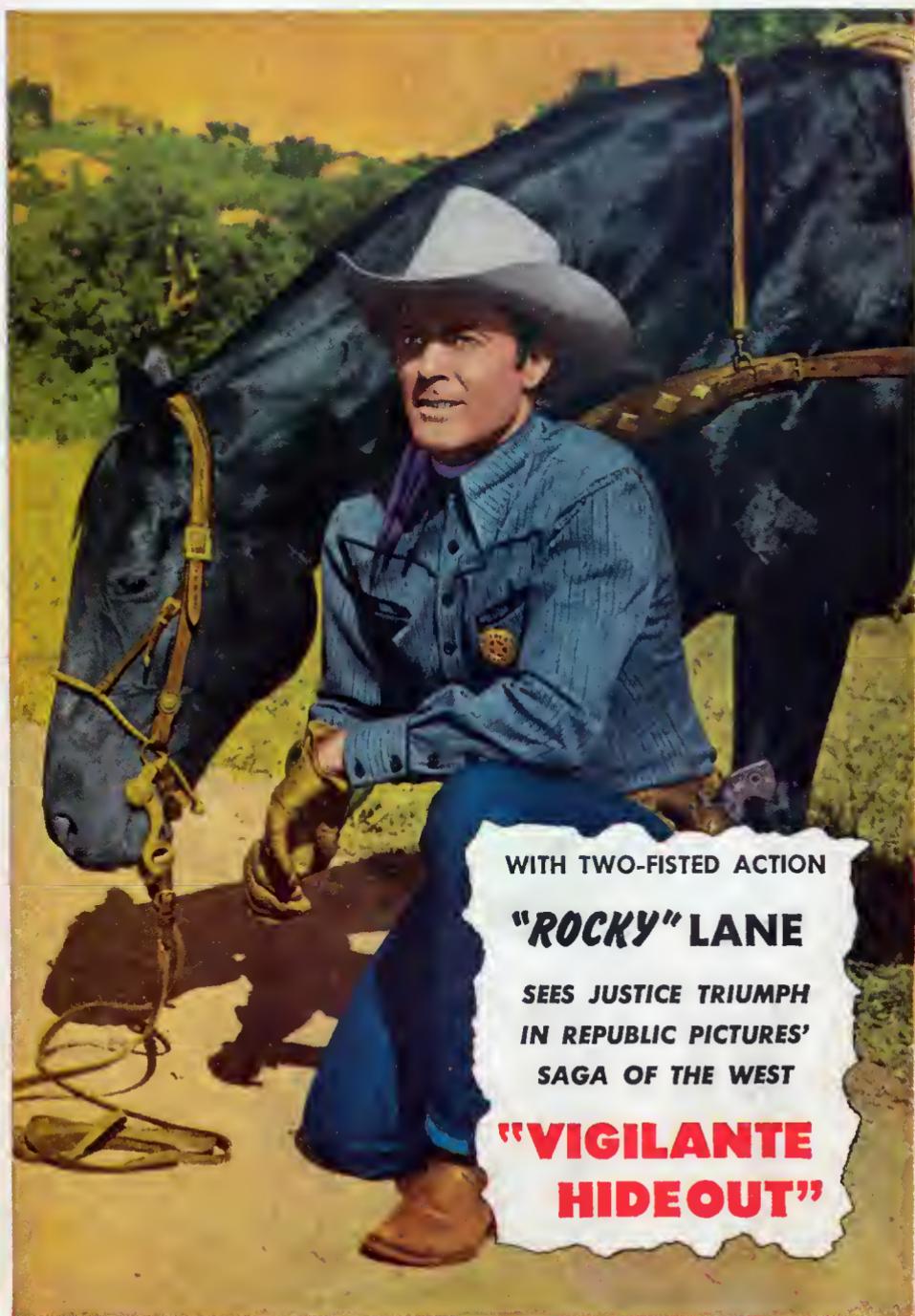


"ROCKY" LANE FACES DANGER AND MYSTERY

IN REPUBLIC PICTURES' LATEST THRILL-PACKED WESTERN

"VIGILANTE HIDE OUT"





WITH TWO-FISTED ACTION

"ROCKY" LANE

SEES JUSTICE TRIUMPH
IN REPUBLIC PICTURES'
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